

What is claimed is:

1. A direction of arrival estimator comprising:

an array antenna made up of a plurality of antenna
5 elements that receives a signal from a communication
terminal apparatus;

first correlation detecting means for calculating
a cyclic correlation matrix using a first cycle frequency
of a first modulated signal included in the reception
10 signal of said array antenna;

second correlation detecting means for calculating
a cyclic correlation matrix using a second cycle
frequency of a second modulated signal whose modulation
system is different from that of said first modulated
15 signal included in the reception signal of said array
antenna; and

direction of arrival estimating means for
estimating the directions of arrival of said first
modulated signal and said second modulated signal using
20 eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the correlation matrices
calculated by said first and second correlation
detecting means.

2. The direction of arrival estimator according to claim
25 1, wherein the first correlation detecting means
calculates a cyclic correlation matrix of a spread
spectrum modulated signal using a frequency decided from
the chip rate of the spread spectrum modulated signal

as the first cycle frequency.

3. The direction of arrival estimator according to claim
1, wherein the second correlation detecting means
5 calculates a cyclic correlation matrix of the second
modulated signal by detecting the second cycle frequency
of the second modulated signal from the reception signal.

4. The direction of arrival estimator according to claim
10 2, further comprising data storing means for storing the
reception signal, wherein the first correlation
detecting means calculates a cyclic correlation matrix
using the storage data of said data storing means.

15 5. The direction of arrival estimator according to claim
1, wherein when there is a plurality of eigenvalues, the
direction of arrival estimating means uses absolute
values of said eigenvalues to distinguish magnitudes
thereof.

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6. The direction of arrival estimator according to claim
1, wherein the second correlation detecting means
detects a plurality of cyclic frequencies from the
reception signal and calculates a cyclic correlation
25 matrix of a plurality of second modulated signals.

7. The direction of arrival estimator according to claim
1, comprising N linear array antennas (N: natural number),

which are installed in such a way that the direction of the normal to each array antenna forms an angle of $360^\circ / N$ with one another, wherein the direction of arrival estimating means estimates the directions of arrival of the first modulated signal and second modulated signal using the reception signal of said linear array antennas and estimates their true directions of arrival for all directions by comparing the estimation results for each of said linear array antennas.

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8. A base station apparatus equipped with a direction of arrival estimator, said direction of arrival estimator comprising:

an array antenna made up of a plurality of antenna elements that receives a signal from a communication terminal apparatus;

first correlation detecting means for calculating a cyclic correlation matrix using a first cycle frequency of a first modulated signal included in the reception signal of said array antenna;

second correlation detecting means for calculating a cyclic correlation matrix using a second cycle frequency of a second modulated signal whose modulation system is different from that of said first modulated signal included in the reception signal of said array antenna; and

direction of arrival estimating means for estimating the directions of arrival of said first

modulated signal and said second modulated signal using eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the correlation matrices calculated by said first and second correlation detecting means.

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9. A direction of arrival estimation method comprising the steps of:

calculating a cyclic correlation matrix using a first cycle frequency of a first modulated signal

10 received by an array antenna;

calculating a cyclic correlation matrix using a second cycle frequency of a second modulated signal whose modulation system is different from that of said first modulated signal received by said array antenna; and

15 estimating the directions of arrival of said first modulated signal and said second modulated signal using eigenvalues and eigenvectors of said calculated correlation matrices.